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> भाग । Part I

केन्द्र-शासितप्रदेशलद्दाखप्रशासन ADMINISTRATION OF UNION TERRITORY OF LADAKH

## OFFICE OF THE ELECTION AUTHORITY, LAHDC, LEH / DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, LEH-LADAKH

#### **NOTIFICATION**

In pursuance to the notification S.O. 26 Dated: 18-09-2020 and in exercise of powers vested in me under rule 39 Sub Section (2, 3 and 4) of the Amendment to the Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council (Election) Rules 1995 and by virtue of Election Authority for the Election to 6<sup>th</sup> LAHDC-Leh, Election, I, Sachin Kumar Vaishya, IAS, Election Authority do hereby notify the following:

# **1.** <u>Voting through postal ballot by Absentee Voters in Notified Essential Service (AVNES) and others:</u>

- 1.1 The Doctors, Paramedics, officials on duty and COVID-19 positive patients in COVID Hospitals & COVID Care centres (CCC) and persons in Institutional quarantine shall be the absentee voters in above category for the purpose of the facility of postal ballot voting.
- 1.2 For the purpose of verification, officer as per annexure "A" shall be the Nodal Officer.
- 1.3 The issue of Postal ballot paper to the absentee voter of such class and return of the ballot paper after voting shall be in such manner as prescribed below.

#### **2.** Action to be taken by RO:

- 2.1 The officials/persons mentioned under above category shall be given postal ballot for the purpose of recording of votes.
- After list of absentee voter voting through postal ballot paper is finalized, entry 'PB' shall be entered in the marked copy of the electoral roll against the names of such electors.

## 3. Form and design of Postal ballot paper:

3.1 The postal ballot paper for Absentee Voters shall be of the same form and language as prescribed under rule.

## 4. <u>Centre for voting through postal ballot:</u>

- 4.1 For the purpose of recording of vote by Absentee Voter, the place/centre of working/duty/admission of the concerned elector shall be treated as Polling Centre/Station. (List of Canters enclosed as Annexure "A").
- 4.2 The Returning Officer of the respective constituency under whom such centers fall shall identify a suitable room to be used as the place for issuing of postal ballot paper to such Absentee Voters and for facilitating their voting in such centres; and, thereafter, for collection of the postal ballot paper in sealed boxes.

## **5.** Intimation regarding issue of Postal Ballot Paper and Voting:

- 5.1 All the persons who have applied for postal ballot paper under such category shall be duly intimated about the following:
  - i) The Postal Voting Centre venue shall be the place where the officers/official/electors are working/admitted.
  - ii) Dates for postal ballot voting shall be intimated through RO/ARO and Nodal Officer concerned.

#### **6.** Procedures in the PVC:

- 6.1 The work involved in the PVC shall be the following:
  - i) Issuing postal ballot paper along with all connected envelopes after duly verifying the identity of the voter.
  - ii) Identity of the elector shall be verified before issuing postal ballot paper. Name of elector and the document produced for identification shall also be entered in a register to be maintained for the purpose.
  - iii) The electors should be briefed about the procedure for voting and formalities to be observed on their part. They should be clearly briefed on the following points:
    - a) Making the declaration in Form 13A part II and getting it attested by the Nodal Officer present in the PVC.
    - b) Entering the serial number of postal ballot paper, both on Form 25 and on the smaller envelope (form-26).
    - c) Manner of marking vote i.e. by placing either cross mark or tick mark against the name of the candidate of choice.
    - d) Folding and placing the marked ballot in the smaller envelope and closing the envelope.
    - e) Placing the declaration in Form 13A, duly filled up, signed and attested along with closed envelope (form 25) containing the marked ballot paper inside the larger envelope (Form 26), closing the larger envelope and dropping it in the box kept in the PVC.

## 7. <u>Close of poll protocol on the day of Poll:</u>

- 7.1 After the days poll closes, the envelopes in Form 26 in the drop box shall be taken out and sealed in a larger packet super scribed "Postal Ballots in Centre". On the outer packet, the following particulars should be clearly mentioned:
  - i) Name and number of Constituency.
  - ii) Name of location of the "Centre".
  - iii) The date on which the votes were cast.
  - iv) The number of envelopes in Form 26 in the packet.
- 7.2 The counterfoils of postal ballots shall also be put in a separate packet super scribed "Counterfoils of PBs in PVC". Name and number of constituency and the dates on which it is sealed shall also be entered on such packet
- 7.3 Both the packets containing the polled postal ballots and the counterfoils shall be sent to the Election Authority in the same evening.
- 7.4 At the end voting period, all other material supplied to the Centre shall be collected by the Poll Officer in charge of the Centre and shall be immediately submitted to the Election Authority.
- 7.5 If an Absentee Voter of such class does not turn up for voting in the Centre, there is no requirement of sending the postal ballot to him/her by post. The procedure prescribed for postal voting by them is voting in the PVC and in no other manner.
- 7.6 Forms at Annexure "B" and "C" shall be duly filled and submitted to the office of the Election Authority.

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[Date: 21/09/2020]

(Sachin Kumar Vaishya) IAS Election Authority for Elections to the 6<sup>th</sup> LAHDC, Leh

## Annexure-A

## **List/details of Notified Postal Ballots Centers**

| Sr. No | Name the Centre   | Nodal Officer for the purpose of Postal<br>Ballot |  |
|--------|---|---|--|
| 01.    | Mahabodhi COVID-19 Designated Hospital,<br>Choglamsar                         | Dr. Tsering Angchuk<br>M.O                        |  |
| 02.    | Radhaswamy Satsang Beas Chuchot Yokma COVID Care Centre (CCC),                | Dr. Tsewang Chorol<br>BMO, Leh                    |  |
| 03.    | ITI Hostel, Leh COVID Care Centre (CCC)                                       | Dr. Tashi Namgyal,<br>DIO, Leh                    |  |
| 04.    | Sindhu Bhawan, Choglamsar, COVID Care<br>Centre (CCC)                         | Dr. Tashi Namgyal,<br>DIO, Leh                    |  |
| 05.    | DIET Hostel, Leh Quarantine Center  | Dr. Tashi Namgyal,<br>DIO, Leh                    |  |
| 06.    | Conference Hall of SDM, Khaltsi, Covid Care Centre (CCC)                      | Dr. Fayaz Ahmed,<br>Incharge BMO, Khaltse         |  |
| 07.    | TRC, Diskit Nubra Quarantine Centre   | Dr. Diskit Dolma,<br>Incharge BMO                 |  |
| 08.    | COVID Care Centre (CCC), Nyoma  | Dr. Dolma Chuskit<br>BMO, Nyoma                   |  |
| 09.    | Govt. Hr Secondary School Hostel, Chushul<br>COVID Care Centre (CCC), Chushul | Dr. Jigmet Wangchuk<br>M.O Chushul                |  |

## Annexure-B

| List of essen | tial services/Covid Postive | e/ Persons in Institutio | n Quarantine entitled to   | vote through postal ballot. |  |
|---------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Name of Ele   | ection:                     |                          | 6 <sup>th</sup> LAHDC, Leh |                             |  |
| Name of Co    | nstituency/Venue:           |                          | Name and No. of            |                             |  |
| Polling Stati | on:                         |                          |                            |                             |  |
| SI. No.       | Name of<br>Elector          | Part Number              | SI. Number in<br>the Part  | EPIC Number                 |  |
| _             | Polling Officer:            |                          |                            |                             |  |
|               |                             |                          |                            |                             |  |
| Date:         |                             |                          |                            |                             |  |

#### Annexure-C

## <u>List of essential services/Covid Positive/ Persons in Institution Quarantine entitled to vote through postal ballot.</u>

| Name of the Election:   |                 |    | 6 <sup>th</sup> LAHDC, Leh   |                                      |                     |                      |  |  |  |  |
|---|-----------------|----|--|--------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Name of Constituency/ Polling Station:  Name of the Polling Centre: |                 |    |  |                                      |                     |                      |  |  |  |  |
| SI.<br>No.  | Name<br>Elector | of | Electors in Essential<br>services/ Covid<br>positive/ person in<br>Institutional<br>Quarantine | Document produced for identification | Date on which voted | Signature of elector |  |  |  |  |
|   |                 |    |  |                                      |                     |                      |  |  |  |  |
|   |                 |    |  |                                      |                     |                      |  |  |  |  |
| Signature of Presiding Officer Name: Name:                          |                 |    |  |                                      |                     |                      |  |  |  |  |
| Date:   |                 |    |  |                                      |                     |                      |  |  |  |  |

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